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- AHS and Region 2 events.
- Region 2 members and hybridizers.

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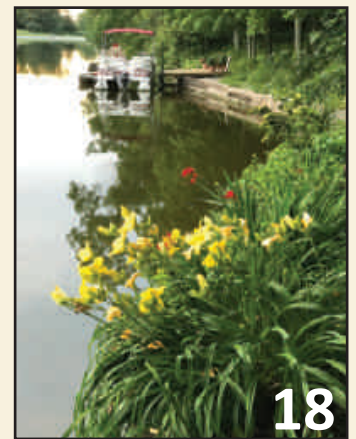


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Spring Issue:

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www.region2daylily.org

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The AHS is actively promoting the use of American Daylily Society in place of American Hemerocallis Society. This should add clarity when sharing information with the general public.

You will see Region 2 follow their lead, using the names interchangeably going forward.

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ON THE COVER:

Hemerocallis 'Heavenly Angel Ice', (Gossard, 2004) by Charlie Harper, Ohio.

Top to bottom:
Genni Kleckner's Englerth Winner
'Hobo Pie Saturday Night' by Hite
Award Winner Mandy McMahon.
'Forsyth Sunglow' puts on a show for
boaters and neighboring homes along
the lake bordering the Harper Garden.

Director's Report

Nikki Schmith – Worden, Illinois
Region 2 Director 2014-2019

“Did you have fun this season?”

In the Spring issue, I declared 2019 as my Year of Fun. I hope now that the bloom season has passed, and our attention moves to fall clean up, sales, purchases and next year's daylily travel plans, you could reflect and agree that it was a season of fun for you, too. I know that I sure had fun traveling to Region 8 and Region 14 and sharing my enthusiasm for ADS at their regional meetings and taking part in their wonderful events. I was also full of pride to attend the National Convention in our own region, which was the epitome of fun. Over 100 old (and new) friends visited our gardens here at home and at the Community Park. Judging accredited shows in Mississippi and Tennessee added to my Year of Fun, and hosting the only accredited daylily show in Illinois with a new virtually-based club was the icing on the cake. WHAT. A. SEASON.

FOR YOUR TO-DO LIST: Once again we are offering ONLINE JUDGES TRAINING for both Exhibition and Garden Judges. There are three opportunities for you to attend this free training. Dates are as follows:

2019 GARDEN JUDGES
ONLINE TRAINING

Garden Judges I -
Monday, October 14
6:00pm CENTRAL TIME

2019 EXHIBITION JUDGES
ONLINE TRAINING

Exhibitions I –
Tuesday, October 15
Exhibitions III (Refresher) -
Wednesday, October 30

*Both classes 6:00pm
CENTRAL TIME*

You can sign up by emailing judgeseducation@daylilies.org. It is free and will be once again held using an online video conferencing tool called WebEx. In 2018 and early 2019 we certified more judges using online training than we did in person and many students expressed their appreciation of

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not having to take time from regional or national events to attend these sessions. Each of these classes is the first step in becoming a part of two very important functions in our society. Our region is in desperate need of exhibition judges. At least two shows were cancelled this year due to lack of availability or willingness of regional judges. Please consider taking the first step in becoming a show judge. This class is awesome for show planners and exhibitors, too! It's even great for those who are just curious about exhibiting daylilies.

Garden Judges are also needed. This is the group of certified ADS members who make the decisions about most of our annual award-winning daylilies. Want to place a vote for the Stout Silver Medal? Become a Garden Judge! Many people think the board chooses those cultivar awards each year, and that is far from the truth. Nearly ALL the cultivar awards are chosen by Garden Judges from our 15 regions. Each region is allowed 20% of our regional membership as Garden Judges and Region 2 has room for YOU.

Marketing needs garden writers who are interested in working with national magazines and regional publications to submit daylily-related stories. The Marketing Committee has established contact with many outlets, but we are light on material to provide. We need niche-stories with a specific point of view. Lead times are often many months in advance, so please reach out to marketing@daylilies.org if you are interested in working on this outreach for publication in 2020.

We came for a flower – a beautiful, inspiring, binding interest that none of us own individually, despite our role in the universe (hybridizer, photographer, scientist, marketer, nurseryman.) Thank you to every local club leader who give of themselves, their gardens, their wallets, their time and their creativity to make our daylily world fun for the lot of us. And, again, thank you for allowing me to serve as Director for Region 2. It remains a great pleasure to serve for these final months.



RP Message, What's New in Region 2?

By Sandy Holmes, Region 2 President



Summer has been very exciting here in Region 2. The National Convention in Madison, WI, was a great success. Be sure to read Bob Faulkner's article to get some insight into the convention. The convention team thought of everything and the gardens were all worth the trip. My thanks to everyone who helped to make the convention possible.

The 2020 activities are coming quickly. Amberly Wilson is the new chair for the Winter Symposium in Indianapolis, IN. Mark your calendar for February 27th to March 1st. Kirsten Hatfield and her team are busy getting ready for the Region's 2020 Summer Meeting on July 10-12th. Registration information will be coming soon. You can see more information on both meetings in this newsletter.

Sandra Dunn has accepted the Garden Judge Liaison position. If you are planning any Garden Judges classes, she can help you find instructors and get set up. If any of you are interested in becoming Garden Judge Instructors, please let me know. Each summer, we need help putting together Garden Judges 2 classes in several locations around the region. People who took the on-line Garden Judges class spoke well of the process. Several people shared that they liked taking the test on-line and knowing the result immediately.

I still need to fill the Youth Liaison position which has been open since before I became the region president. We have very few youth members in our region. Is that because we don't have a youth liaison or the reason why no one will volunteer to fill the position? The job doesn't require lots of time and at this point you can almost fashion it from your own interests. Is there a mom and/or dad, grandma and/or grandpa, or teacher out there somewhere who would like to help us?

The second critical position is the Regional Fundraising Chair. This individual will oversee the Facebook Auction each spring. The process is documented so you don't have to start from scratch. A working knowledge of Facebook, Excel and PowerPoint are vital to the position. Please give me a call if you are interested in leading the process. The job could be split between two co-chairs if you have a friend who is interested too.

Work is underway for our new website. Because the initial work is being done by volunteers only, the basics were done through the summer. We are on track to get information to Tim Fehr for him to get started.

The team of Sandra Dunn, Jackie Barth and Gary Stickel was formed to find a new region president. My last year as president will be 2020. If you have any interest in the position please contact Sandra. If you have specific questions about the position, I will be happy to talk with you.

Thank you to all the volunteers, hybridizers and members for your ongoing support of Region 2. Working together we can have lots of fun and keep our region strong.

Sandy

PS: Thanks to everyone for your patience with our newsletter delay caused by events out of everyone's control. This will be your last newsletter for 2019. This issue has been expanded to include some additional information. The Spring 2020 issue will be expanded to include some things that are normally in the Winter Newsletter. You won't miss any of the regular information. We anticipate that everything will be back to normal in 2020.

Happy Holidays to Everyone! I look forward to seeing many of you at our regional meetings in 2020.



UPCOMING REGION 2 SUMMER MEETINGS

July 10-12, 2020: Off the Beaten Path Daylily Tour
Newark- Zanesville, OH area

July 9-11, 2021: Central Illinois Daylily Society
Springfield, IL

Dear Region 2 Members,

Now that all the daylilies are put to bed for the winter, we can now start dreaming of what the new growing season will bring. One wonderful way of enjoying Daylily Speakers and seeing what new daylilies they are introducing is by attending the Region 2 Winter Symposium held in Indianapolis, Indiana. So please mark your calendars now for February 28 - March 1, 2020. See the registration information later in this issue.

It is my honor to announce the results of the 2019 Region 2 Popularity Poll. I would like to thank the 161 Region 2 members who took the time to vote.



Our 2019 Region 2 Popularity Poll Top 5 are:

1. 'Neon Flamingo'
2. 'Heavenly United We Stand'
3. 'Carnival in Mexico'
4. 'Entwined in the Vine'
5. 'Bela Lugosi'



Cultivar Name	Hybridizer	Winning Year(s)
'Alan'	Claar	1964
'Barbara Mitchell'	Pierce-C.	1993, 1994, 1996, 1997
'Brocaded Gown'	Millikan-B.	1989, 1991*
'Destined To See'	Grace-L.	2016
'Fairy Tale Pink'	Pierce-C.	1988, 1990, 1991*, 1992
'Frances Fay'	Fay	1961-63, 1965, 1966
'Hortensia'	Branch	1970, 1971, 1973
'Janice Brown'	Brown-E.C.	1995
'Mary Todd'	Fay	1972, 1974-81, 1984
'Moonlit Masquerade'	Salter	2002*, 2003
'Primal Scream'	Hanson-C.	2010, 2011, 2014, 2017
'Ruby Spider'	Stamile	2004, 2006-09
'Satin Glass'	Fay-Hardy	1967-69
'Stella de Oro'	Jablonski	1982, 1983, 1985-87
'Strawberry Candy'	Stamile	1998-2001, 2002*
'Webster's Pink Wonder'	Webster-Cobb	2013, 2015
'White Eyes Pink Dragon'	Gossard-J.	2018

* Indicates a tie in the listed year.

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- 'Bela Lugosi' - Debbie Monbeck



**2020 AMERICAN DAYLILY SOCIETY
REGION 2
WINTER SYMPOSIUM**

FEBRUARY 28, 29, 1 2020
Leap Year

We are excited & honored to have some of today's great hybridizers speak at this year's symposium including several folks from our wonderful region and a few visiting from other regions.

Claudia Conway – Reg 4

David Robinson – Reg 2

Scott Elliott – Reg 5

Bobby Scott – Reg 11

Kirsten Hatfield – Reg 2

Nancy Watson – Reg 2

Phil Korth – Reg 2

Chris Wilhoite – Reg 2

Our event will include meals both Friday and Saturday evenings; a novelty & daylily silent auction; our fantastic annual daylily auction both Friday and Saturday evenings & hospitality suite!

Registration is \$125 per person & the registration form can be located on our Region 2 website.

The Winter Symposium will be held at the same location as last year.

Crowne Plaza Indianapolis Airport
2501 South High School Road
Indianapolis, Indiana 46241

Room Rate is \$131 per night which includes breakfast up to two people per room if you use our room block booked before Monday, January 27, 2020. Any reservation made after the cutoff date will be accepted on a space- or rate-available basis direct with the hotel.

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2020 AMERICAN DAYLILY SOCIETY REGION 2 WINTER SYMPOSIUM INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA – FEBRUARY 28, 29 & MARCH 1, 2020 REGISTRATION

ATTENDEE INFORMATION:

ATTENDEE NAME: _____
 ADDITIONAL ATTENDEE NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____
 CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
 PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

SYMPOSIUM REGISTRATION: (HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS NOT INCLUDED)

REGISTRATION FEES POSTMARKED PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 22, 2020:	\$125/PERSON	\$	
YOUTH MEMBERS POSTMARKED PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 22, 2020:	\$80/YOUTH	\$	
FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER GUEST:	\$35/PERSON	\$	
SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER GUEST:	\$40/PERSON	\$	
TOTAL CHECK AMOUNT:		\$	

PLEASE NOTE ANY DIETARY ALLERGIES OR CONSIDERATIONS: _____

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLASSES PRE-REGISTRATION: (PLEASE BRING CURRENT COPY OF JUDGING DAYLILIES WITH YOU)

EXHIBITION CLINIC #3
 NAME: _____
 GARDEN JUDGES WORKSHOP #1
 NAME: _____

THE \$5 REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE COLLECTED IN THE CLASS.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED FORM WITH CHECK PAYABLE TO **AHS REGION 2** TO:

NANCY WATSON, REGISTRAR
 2494 E. HASSELBURGER AVE.
 TERRE HAUTE, IN 47805

REGISTRATION WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS WILL BE E-MAILED WHEN THE SCHEDULE IS FINAL.

HOTEL INFORMATION:

THE WINTER SYMPOSIUM WILL BE HELD AT THE SAME LOCATION AS LAST YEAR. PLEASE SECURE YOUR OWN HOTEL REGISTRATION.

CROWNE PLAZA INDIANAPOLIS AIRPORT
 2501 SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL ROAD
 INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46241

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THE Place to Be in July 2019

MIDDLETON, WISCONSIN

By Bob Faulkner, Ohio

American Hemerocallis Society National Conventions each take on a persona of their own - the gardens, the people, the food. Auctions, Award Ceremonies and boutiques all add something to the experience. All the senses are tantalized, not to mention seeing beautiful daylilies you've never seen before. It's exciting! A National Convention can be likened to a huge family reunion, made up of people you might only see once a year, but so look forward to saying hello and catching up with.



*The Crew at Convention 2019:
Ray Rayburg, Joe Monnin, Barb Buikema,
Bob Faulkner and Bob Buikema.*

We arrived at the Convention Hotel on Thursday and went immediately to the registration desk where we were given a packet of information and essentials plus two gift daylilies. Instantly people were saying hello, giving hugs and handshakes and the atmosphere was one of total excitement.

Next up was the rush to the sign-up sheets for the bus and banquet table seating. By arriving early Thursday afternoon I thought we would have our choice of tables. Boy, was I wrong! Of the 45 tables, only 3 hadn't been filled by then. What?!? So we signed up for table #43 located in the back corner of the room where binoculars might be required to see the podium, and for the hard of hearing, an ear-horn is recommended. May I suggest for the next National more of a "theatre in the round" theme where the podium is in the center of the room with tables surrounding so everyone can see and hear?

The good news was that we weren't the only ones relegated to the corner: joining us were Bill Waldrop and his wife, Paul Pratt and his partner, plus my two best friends Ray Rayburg and Joe Monnin. This was their first National and I was excited for them. So we had our own entertainment and just outside the door were the restrooms...at my age, a necessity!

So after checking in and walking through the boutique, we ventured to our room. We enjoyed dinner with Barb & Bob Buikema where we solved the world's problems and then headed off to the Auction. Running late from our extended dinner, we were again treated to a table in the rear of the room and the Auction was already in session. Auctioneer Paul Owens of "Slightly Different Nurseries" was in full form. There were some really nice daylilies to be won, thanks to the generosity of our Region 2 members and others. Each winning bid was followed by a "WOO-HOO" from Paul. It took us two days to stop yelling "woo-hoo" to one another. LOL...

The Auction went long and soon after, we headed to our rooms. Wake-up time was 6:15am to make it to breakfast and the bus by 7:00am. We wanted to be rested and ready for the next day. Garden Tour Bus Captains could be considered the unsung heroes of a Convention. They really can influence an attendee's convention experience. Dan Bachman and I captained Bus #7. We pay the same registration fee as everyone else, then we have to manage the bus, keep people entertained and make sure all is running on a timely schedule. It does give you a chance to get to know people on a more personal level. So, it's mostly fun, but at the end of the day you are worn out. We saw amazing gardens.



*Joe Monnin and Ray Rayburg with
garden owner Genni Kleckner.*



A group of youths enjoying the garden tours.



Painted allium provided an extra pop of color.

energetic presentation. I realize a lot of work goes into gathering all the winners' information, but have the awards ready to go and hopefully next time they can make it a bit more exciting.

All said and done, it was worth the time and cost..it always is!!! A huge THANK YOU to the Wisconsin club members for taking on the task and carrying it off so well. Those of us who attended 'Blooms in Badgerland' had a blast!



An awesome painting featuring daylilies.



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE THAT CONTRIBUTED TO THE 2019 NATIONAL CONVENTION!

Every time I go on a bus tour I see things I've never seen before, some of which I want to do in my own yard. The photos attached will give you an idea of some of what we saw, but it can never come close to experiencing it in person.

The banquet food was good, the Award Ceremony was fun to watch, to see who won what. Congratulations to Karol Emmerich for landing the grand hybridizing prize, The AHS Stout Medal, for her really nice introduction, 'Entwined in the Vine'. A worthy winner. The individual awards were also distributed and those were also great to see. My only critical observation at the Award Ceremony was the lack of enthusiasm from the person announcing the award winners. People work hard to earn these important hybridizing and individual awards, some over very long periods of time and they deserve an exciting,



Just a sampling of the garden views attendees enjoyed.

Region 2 Annual Business Meeting Minutes

By Bruce Wickmann, Region 2 Secretary



The Region 2 Summer Business Meeting was held on July 12, 2019 during the ADS National Summer Convention at the Madison Marriott West Hotel in Middleton, Wisconsin.

Region 2 Officers and Staff present were: Sandy Holmes, President; Gary Barth, Treasurer; Barb Buikema, Publicity Director; Bruce Wickmann, Secretary; Gail Braunstein, Awards Chair; Ed Kraus, Auditor; and Bret Clement, Winter Symposium Chair. In addition, there were fifteen Region 2 members in attendance.

Sandy Holmes called the meeting to order at 4:58p.m. First agenda item was Old Business including approval of the Winter Meeting minutes. Sandy asked Bruce if there were any changes to the minutes as published in the *Great Lakes Daylily Journal*, of which there were none. Bob Buikema made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and it was seconded by Diane Wickmann, the motion was approved by all present.

Another item of Old Business was the status of the new website. Sandy reported that the website was being worked on and should be up and running by the Fall.

Next Old Business item was the vote for the Region 2 Director to the ADS Board. Barb Buikema was tasked with soliciting and counting votes for the Region nominee, Bob Faulkner. Barb reported that the overwhelming majority of votes went to Bob for our recommendation for Region 2 Director of the ADS Board.

Under New Business, Gary Barth gave the Treasurer's Report stating that as of June 30, 2019 our treasury has approximately \$70,028 in funds.

Sandy then asked Barb Buikema to give the members an update on the Pop Poll voting ballot. Barb mentioned that Winnie Garabis, our Region 2 Editor, did a great job of putting together the step by step process of how to vote for our favorite daylilies online as well as the mail-in ballot in the Spring Newsletter. Barb also said that voting was up 37% this past year and would like to see great participation again this year.

Sandy continued by discussing the Region 2 Facebook Auction that has been very successful in the past several years. Sonja Jensen, who headed up our auction team and contributed much to its success, has stepped down this year and will need to be replaced by several people or a committee. Due to the popularity and success of the Facebook Auction, we have brought in more revenue than we need and therefore are considering making some changes where we invite up to four other neighboring regions to participate with their own pages under the same auction. Each region would be responsible to get their own donations, post them on their page, collect their own money and deliver the goods to the winning bidders. Bidders could bid on items from any of the other regions, but must pay separately to each region for items won from those regions. We would only solicit donations from our region or outside of the other participating regions. Sandy asked those present if this is a direction we should pursue or if anyone had any other suggestions. A significant majority voted in favor of this new direction.

Sandy then moved on to discuss the Region's 2020 Summer Meeting that will be held in the Zanesville, Ohio area from July 10th through 12th with many interesting gardens and a very nice hotel.

We have a few staff or committee positions that are open and are looking for people to fill them. They are the Garden Judge Liaison, the Facebook Auction Coordinator with a team, and a Youth Liaison who could possibly be a teacher. We also need a nominating committee to select a nominee for President to replace Sandy whose term is up the end of next year. The three who volunteered are: Sandra Dunn, Jackie Barth, and Gary Sticklel.

Sandy then talked about the Region moving forward. We can now afford to print our Winter Newsletter for some time to come. We are still looking for Summer meetings after 2021, and Amberly Wilson is heading up a new team to run the Winter Meeting in Indianapolis for 2020. For the first time, we are setting up a Speaker Recommendation Team who will provide guidance for a good mix of speakers with a focus on Region 2 speakers. The team will have up to five or six members who will serve for a period of up to three years and rotate out to add new members with new ideas. The Symposium Chair, who is responsible for the meeting, will continue to make the final decision on speakers.

Sandy stated that she had several goals for the Region when she became President. One was to help get the Region in sound financial standing, and another was to revise and update the travel reimbursement policy for required meeting attendance of the Officers and some key staff members. The current policy was written about 10 years ago and specified a fixed amount of about \$600 to cover two meeting per year. The cost for meeting registration and hotel for just one meeting now goes beyond that number. Sandy feels that this is one limiting factor that is preventing us from getting more people to volunteer for officer positions, especially younger folks. Sandy wants to propose a policy that would take effect in 2021 that would be tied to the cost of meeting attendance, rather than a fixed amount. The positions affected by this policy are the President, the Director, and the Publicity Chair; while the Treasurer, Secretary, and the Newsletter Editor would receive partial reimbursement. These new policy guidelines would be brought up for discussion, voted on and approved by the membership at the Summer Meeting next year.

Sandy asked if anyone had any questions or additional comments. Hearing none, Sandy asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ed Kraus moved that we adjourn the meeting and Bret Clement seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30p.m.



2019 Englerth Award Winner

Genni Kleckner of Wisconsin

By Gail Braunstein, Awards and Honors Chairman, Ohio

What a treat! The 2019 National Convention was held in the backyard of Region 2. The tour gardens were amazing, each with challenges of terrain and obstacles which were met and conquered by the garden owners. This year's Englerth Competition Bed was at the home of Diane and John Goodman. As one walked down the driveway, a beautifully



sculpted Englerth Bed came into view and attendees quickly made their way with ballots in hand to view the work of Region 2 hybridizers.

The Englerth Award was established over thirty years ago. The Englerth competition is for Region 2 hybridizers only, and they can be amateur or professional. The award was named for Lawrence and Winifred Englerth of Hopkins, Michigan. Both Lawrence and Winifred were hybridizers, and Winifred was known for introducing plants with high bud count.

This year 15 hybridizers entered with a total of 51 plants in the competition. With an outstanding number of votes, Genni Kleckner won the medal. Genni has certainly followed in Winifred's footsteps and her seedling #1618 was awed by many. There were some attendees who did not see it in bloom, but they voted for it just because of its amazing plant habit, branching and bud count.

I spoke to Genni shortly after the National, wanting to get some additional details for this article. We all have our stories as to how we got started in daylilies and Genni's is an interesting one. She had started a new job and a co-worker asked if she would like to go to Graystone. Graystone was owned by Bill and Linda Lehman and they sold hosta, Siberian iris, and a few named daylilies and some daylily seedlings. Bill took the time to show Genni around and talked with her about hybridizing and gave her seeds to take home to try. That trip to Graystone was just the beginning of a love affair with daylilies.

Genni has registered 63 cultivars, but this was her first year to enter the Englerth Competition. Born in Wisconsin, she moved to Illinois and then back to Wisconsin. She and her husband Frances live just a little north of Muscoda on 9 1/2 acres. Three years ago they were awarded AHS/ADS Display Garden Status. Genni and Frances have been married for 38 years and have two sons, John and Jake. Both sons are married to lovely women with the name of Katie Marie...just a little bit confusing when their four grandchildren are told to go ask Aunt Katie.

Genni and Frances are members of the Wisconsin Daylily Society and joined the AHS in 2001. They work as a team to maintain their beautiful gardens and Genni has plans for many more daylilies to come.

CALLING FOR ENGLERTH AWARD SUBMISSIONS

Enter your seedlings in the Englerth competition! Since 1987, Region 2 hybridizers have competed for the Englerth Award for Hybridizing Excellence. The purpose of this award is to encourage and promote Region 2 hybridizers.

Contact the garden hosts below for information before shipping to confirm the timing. Please send at least two fans (more if possible) to give the plant(s) time to establish and increase the chances of their blooming during the Garden Tours.

Note: If you wish to have your seedlings returned to you after the meeting at your expense, please indicate such at the time of submission.

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2019 Howard Hite

Award Winner

Mandy McMahon of Michigan

By Gail Braunstein, Awards and Honors Chairman, Ohio

It is always a pleasure to announce the winner of the Howard Hite Award, and this year was no exception. The stunned look on the face of Mandy McMahon was absolutely priceless.

Mandy has been hybridizing for 18 years and has made great strides... even with the challenging weather conditions of Region 2. Everyone in Region 2 is well aware of the extremes of temperatures ranges during the winter. It might be 60 degrees one day and minus 5 degrees the next. Somehow or another, Mandy has managed to win the battle with Mother Nature and produce amazing plants. She is dedicated to producing plants which have great form, substance and color. Working exclusively with tetraploids, Mandy's plants have great legs, branching and bud count. Dan Bachman commented, "Mandy has a hybridizing program which produces cultivars with the cherished southern characteristics on northern hardy plants."

Mandy is willing to share her knowledge of daylilies, helping newcomers to the world of daylilies. She is generous with plants...donating plants to clubs, regional and national events. Mandy is also generous with her time. She served on committees for the Region 2 Summer Meeting held in Grand Rapids, Michigan during the summer of 2017. She has been a guest speaker at many local club meetings. One of the most difficult jobs Mandy does for the region is preparing the auction list for the Region 2 Winter Symposium. Mandy does not have internet access at her home, so sometimes you can find her in a grocery store parking lot in Hamilton, Michigan, bent over a computer making contact with hybridizers and donors. Mandy, we cannot thank you enough for your dedication.

But who is Mandy, and how did she get started on this amazing daylily journey? Being inquisitive, I asked her to tell me a little about Mandy. She has four sisters and they all helped their dad in his businesses. Her father installed septic tanks and he also had a delivery service for port-a-lets. The girls learned to drive trucks, tractors, and bulldozers. Dad raised them like boys. Mom on the other hand did the girly things, making sure they all looked their best when going out the door. Both parents instilled a great work ethic. The motto was "Do the work and be proud of the work you did." If you do it right you will rest peacefully at night.

As to how she got started in daylilies... She and her husband Ed built a new home and they had a landscaping company come and design plans for the plantings. Mandy and Ed dug every hole, planted every plant, watered and fertilized all the plantings. When the next spring came, there was nothing left. The deer had eaten everything... so off to a garden center where Mandy purchased unnamed daylilies. Somewhere along the way she purchased Hemerocallis 'Seminole Wind'. But that wasn't enough, a little light reading, a book by P. Allen Smith on growing and hybridizing, was the kick start to Mandy's hybridizing program.

Her first daylily registered was H. 'Get Your Grin On' in 2011, and to date she has registered 23 cultivars. She won the coveted Englerth Award in 2016 with 'Twelve O'Clock The Wolf Comes'. Mandy and Ed have been married for 29 years and have five children. Mandy is a member of the Grand Valley Daylily Society and The Kalamazoo Daylily Society and has been an ADS/AHS member since 2004.

If you are ever in Hamilton, Michigan give Mandy a call and visit her "Silver Creek Daylilies". You will not be disappointed.



Top to bottom,
McMahon introductions:
'Get Your Grin On'
'Hobo Pie Saturday Night'
'Slug a Bug Yellow'
'Twelve O'Clock the Wolf
Comes'
All images from the
hybridizer's website.



Howard Hite Award for Hybridizing Excellence

At the 1989 Region 2 Summer Meeting, this award was announced and sponsored by the Southern Michigan Daylily Society (SMDS). It is a free-form, sand-etched glass plate with an engraved image of Howard Hite's *Hemerocallis* 'Indonesia'. **The award is not based on the quantity of votes for any individual, but on the quality of the individual's years of hybridizing efforts to improve daylily cultivars.** Please take the time to describe what the individual has accomplished.

The criteria for selection of a recipient are as follows:

1. The award is to honor a Region 2 AHS member who has contributed notable achievements in the field of hybridizing from years of a dedicated hybridizing program.
2. The award may be given each year only if a recipient is selected.
3. A person may receive the award only one time.
4. Deceased hybridizers may be considered for the award.
5. Any AHS Region 2 member, including Committee Members, may submit names of possible recipients to the Awards and Honors Chair before April 15th of each year. The final selection will be determined by the Hite Award Committee composed of four members and the current Regional President representing the five states in the Region.
6. Names of past nominees may be considered as possible candidates for future years.

Howard Hite Award Recipients

1990 Dr. Charles Branch	2001 Leo Sharp	2011 Joel Thomas Polston
1991 No Award	2002 Walter Jablonski	2012 James Marsh
1992 Bryant Millikan	2003 Charles Applegate	2013 Martin Kamensky
1993 Brother Charles Reckamp	2004 Dan Bachman	2014 Sandy Holmes
1994 Steve Moldovan	2005 Dottie Warrell	2015 Bret Clement
1995 Howard Hite	2006 Don Jerebek	2016 Phil and Luella Korth
1996 Dr. Charles Griesbach	2007 Richard Norris	2017 Bob Faulkner
1997 Dennis Anderson	2008 Roy Klehm	2018 John Kulpa
1998 Curt Hanson	2009 Jamie Gossard	2019 Mandy McMahon
1999 Marge Soules	2010 Robert Ellison	2020 Submit Your Vote!
2000 John Benz		

2020 Howard Hite Award for Hybridizing Excellence Nomination Form

Nominations for the Hite Award are made by Region 2 members. Use this form and attach any additional documentation to support your nomination if desired. You are encouraged to give detailed reasons for your nomination. This form may be photocopied.

I wish to nominate: _____

for the following reasons:

Please Print Your Name: _____ Are You an AHS Member? Yes ____ No ____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Complete this form by April 15, 2020 and mail or scan / email to:

Gail Braunstein, Region 2 Awards and Honors Chair
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Ann Townsend
Granville, Oh
Bittersweet Farm
Hybridizers Garden
Ann enjoys working
with Unusual Forms



Sunny Caldwell
Alexandria, Oh
Specializing in
Sculptural Forms



Patricia Santelli
Chandlersville, Oh
Day By Daylily
Over 300 named
daylilies displayed



Kirsten Hatfield
Zanesville, Oh
Dorsets N Daylilies
Over 1000 named
daylilies displayed
plus seedlings



2020 American Daylily Society Region 2
 Summer Meeting July 10-12, 2020
 Coshocton Village Inn & Suites

Registration Form

Attendee Name: _____

Additional Attendee Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Meeting Registration (Hotel Accommodations Are Not Included)

Registration Fee Postmarked Prior to May 1, 2020:	\$130/Person	\$ _____
Youth Members	\$ 65/Youth	\$ _____
Friday Night Dinner Guest	\$ 15	\$ _____
Saturday Night Dinner Guest	\$ 27	\$ _____
Total Check Amount		\$ _____

Please note any dietary allergies or considerations: _____

Registration includes Motor Coach Tours to 4 gardens, Lunch during the tour, Buffet Dinner on Friday and Saturday Evenings.

Payment Information: Registration and Checks Must be Postmarked by June 1, 2020

Please mail Completed Form with Check Payable to AHS Region 2:

Gail Braunstein, Registrar
 3010McIntire Road
 Morrow, Ohio 45152

Registration will be confirmed and Schedule of Events will be E-mailed when the schedule is final.

Clinics: A fee of \$5.00 per participant is payable at the door for each clinic.

Clinic Title	Attendee's Name	Clinic Title	Attendee's Name
Garden Judge 1		Exhibition Judge 1	
Garden Judge 2		Exhibition Judge 2	
		Exhibition Judge 3	

Hotel Information:

Coshocton Village Inn & Suites
115 N Water Street
Coshocton, Ohio 43812
740-622-9455

Room Rate for a Standard Room (Two Queen Beds –Non Smoking) \$99.95 Plus Tax Per Night

Room Rate for a King Suite (King Bed – Non Smoking) \$109.95 Plus Tax Per Night

Room Rates include A Hot Breakfast

Attendees are responsible for booking their own rooms. Please Book Early. You must call to book the room and get the group rate. You cannot get the group rate using the online reservation tool. There is a room block under the American Daylily Society, Region 2. Please mention this block when booking your rooms.



SUNSHINE & GOLD IN THE GARDEN

By Charlie Harper, Ohio

I recall that about 10 years ago, I posted an observation about my daylily garden to the Robin. I commented that it had an average color of beige. Several folks commented that that was a rather negative view and certainly did not apply to their gardens. So, I set about changing out many of my bland (muddy) colored daylilies for those with brightly colored, often larger, flowers. I thought reds and purples would be the solution to peppering things up, but have found that it's the yellows that really do the trick! They bring blasts of sunshine and gold colors that really grab my attention. And these colors play well with others! Mike Holmes captured this idea when he registered *Hemerocallis* 'Yellow Color Matters,' in 2016.

There are hundreds of yellow/gold registered daylilies, of which I have only a handful in my garden. From my tiniest (*H.* 'Penny's Worth' at 2 inches or less) to my largest ('Wings of Love' at 13 inches), I have something in just about every height, bloom size and form, foliage type and bloom season. My current choices provide a pretty good cross-section. Let me show you what I mean.



'Penny's Worth'

One can easily overlook 'Penny's Worth' (Hager, 1987). It is one of the smallest of all daylilies, sporting tiny, yellow blooms. With apologies, I am not going to include 'Stella de Oro' (Jablonski, 1975) in this article. The contribution of 'Stella de Oro' and its ubiquitous presence in public and commercial gardens are well known.

There are several, small/medium yellow daylilies with UF Crispate flowers. Clump bloom of these bright flowers is outstanding.



Above: 'Itsy Bitsy Spider' (Bishop, 1990)
At right:

Top: 'Little Lemon Twist' (Cochenour, 2008)
Bottom: 'Lemon Pixie' (Holmes-S., 2009)



One of the more striking, small daylilies is 'Riot on the Kindergarten Bus' (Davisson, 2007) pictured at left. Judy really hit a home run when she came up with this excellent name for her golden, UF Crispate! Once seen in clump bloom, you won't soon forget it.





There are lots of large daylily choices. Let's begin with 'Yellow Color Matters' (Holmes-M., 2016) at left. It would be interesting to know what Mike had in mind when he came up with this name!

Garden visitors almost always stop at one or all of these flowers. Clockwise from top right, they are 'Do or Do Not, There is No Try' (Bush-C., 2015), 'Made in Michigan' (Balash, 2011) and 'Shattered Glass' (Rice-JA., 2010).



Yellow brings them over; the edges make them stare!



Left: A fourth edged star is 'Lemon Fringed Pastel' (Kleh, 2003), one of my all-time favorites.

There are many round yellows. Here are some in my garden. Clockwise from right: 'Bring Home the Gold' (Polston, 2007), 'Slice of Life' (Hanson-C., 2003), and 'Forestlake Point Lace' (Harding-F., 1996).



Yellow/gold spiders and doubles aren't that common. 'Green Inferno' (Gossard, 2006), at left, is known for its heavy green midribs, but make no mistake, this is a yellow, spider daylily!

The double, 'Dutch Yellow Truffle' (Kirchhoff, 2003), puts on quite a show, with its chunky blooms.



The taller, larger flowered plants really steal the show, especially if they produce densely flowered clumps.



My best two are 'Wiggly Piggly' (Davisson, 2009) (top) and 'Big Birds Friend' (Gossard, 2003) (at right). The union of 'Big Birds Friend' with 'Jellyroll Morton' (Hanson, 2007), two 7" bloomers, is simply stunning.

There are some very nice, pale yellow daylilies. Margo Reed's 'Snowboarding' (2005) is representative.



WHAT IS THE ROBIN?

The AHS E-mail Robins began in 1994 with a general interest robin. Since then, many e-mail robins have sprung up to discuss specific aspects of daylilies and related topics.



Two giants, with 9+ inch flowers are 'Lime Peel' (Stamile, 2002) at left and 'Titan of Ice' (Gossard, 2013) below. The former is one of the tallest yellow daylilies, while the latter is short, with a bud count of 26.



One of my projects for next spring is to move 'Titan of Ice' next to 'Purple Goliath' (Grace-Gossard, 2017). The similar size and grapey-lime colors should look yummy together!



And a couple more I grow, clockwise from left:
'Planet Claire' (Hanson, 2003)
'Substantial Evidence' (Norris, 2005)
'Wings of Love' (Keast-M.&T., 2018)



At left, a Harper garden visitor is drawn to the mass bloom of 'Simplicity in Motion' (Fitzpatrick, 2003).

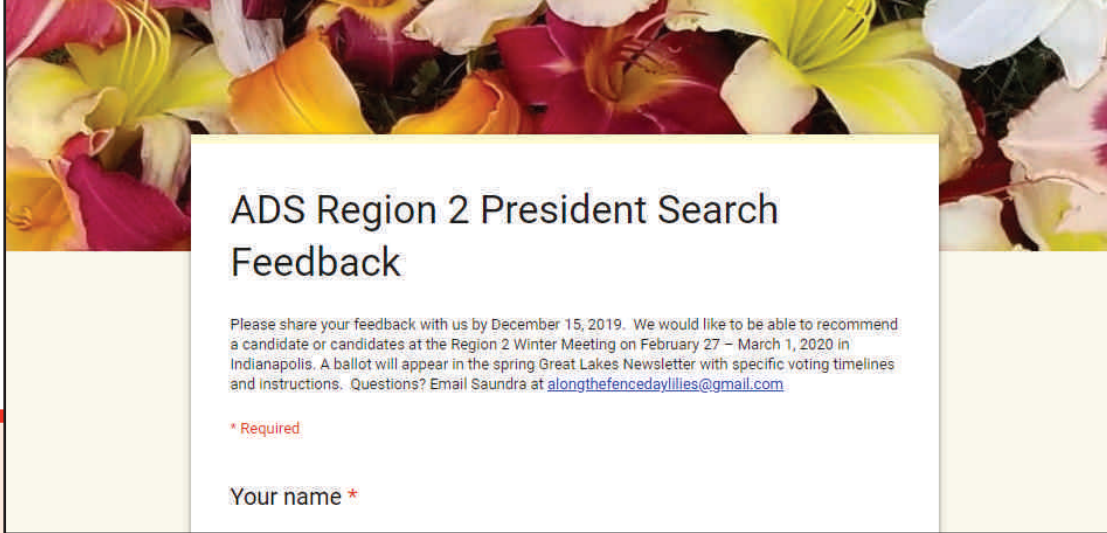


Author, Photographer and Garden Owner
Charlie Harper

Hope this inspires you to consider adding pops of yellow and gold to your garden.

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Looking for Leadership And We Need Your Input

By Sandra Dunn, Michigan

Region 2 has been so fortunate over the years with the quality of our leadership, especially given that these are largely volunteer positions. The role of Region 2 President is especially important and we all can have a voice in choosing our next leader, who will take office in January of 2021. I often recall the particular skills and qualities of past presidents and the legacy they left. Sandy Holmes has been no exception, focusing on the financial health of Region 2 for the past four years. Thank you, Sandy, not only for your financial leadership but also for a concerted effort to document the processes used for a variety of activities throughout the Region to make it easier for the next person who takes on a particular position or task.

At the Region 2 business meeting in Madison this summer, Jackie Barth, Gary Stickel and I were charged with beginning the search for the next Region 2 President. But that is not a task we can complete without your input. Given where we are as a Region right now, what skills and personal qualities are we looking for in our next president? Who do you think embodies those skills and qualities? What challenges will the Region likely face over the new few years?

We are truly looking for your answers to these questions. We have set up a brief Google survey to help us gather your ideas and insights. You can access it at <https://tinyurl.com/Region2Pres>. Unfortunately, the link can be fickle for some browsers. Please try again later and you will likely get in. Or email Jackie, Gary, or me and we will send you the full URL address to click on. (Sandra: alongthefencedaylilies@gmail.com; Jackie: cincyess1@aol.com; Gary: gastick79@yahoo.com). Please persist! We need your input as we search for OUR president. If you are not a computer user, please mail your suggestions to Sandra Dunn, 3035 Parman Road, Dansville, MI, 48819.

We would love to have your input by December 15th as we prepare to share our Presidential nominations at the Region 2 Winter Meeting on February 27 – March 1, 2020 in Indianapolis. A ballot will appear in the spring Great Lakes Newsletter with specific voting timelines and instructions. Our next President will be announced at the 2020 Summer Meeting in Ohio.

Please take a few minutes to share your ideas with us. Your insights and observations are so important!

About The Region 2 President's Role

Qualifications:

- Must be an AHS member in good standing
- Must have belonged to AHS for at least 3 calendar years prior to nomination
- Should be tactful, friendly, dependable, and able to commit time to this position

Primary Responsibilities:

The detailed job description in the Regional Officers Guide outlines a variety of specific responsibilities. As a general summary, the Region President presides over and manages financial and membership issues for Region. As Nikki Schmidt, former Region 2 president described, "The Region President must be a leader and a goodwill ambassador for AHS as well as the region." Sandy Holmes, current President, noted that "in the role of President, it is crucial to recognize that volunteers are the backbone of Region 2 and to provide support to their efforts." The term is for two years, with a maximum of two consecutive terms served.

2019 REGION 2 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS

BEST SINGLE BLOOM



Winner Charlie Harper
Bowling Green, Ohio

This image of *Hemerocallis* 'Flight of Orchids' (Reed, 2005) caught the eyes of our judges for a variety of reasons. The composition, the intensity of color and the added texture of the raindrops landed this bloom the top spot.



Runner-up Amy McConnell
Sherrodsville, Ohio

What a pose! This bloom shows off all the best features of *H.* 'Exotic Starfish' (Gossard-J., 2013).



Hemerocallis 'Such A Flirt'
(Pearce-G., 2018)

Donated by Ginny Pearce (MI)
BEST SINGLE BLOOM PRIZE

BEST CREATIVE



Winner Kelly Williams
Lucas, Ohio

This is definitely not an image you see every day! The falling water splashing off *H.* 'Wonder of It All' (Carr, 2005) documents the substance of this daylily bloom.



Runner-up Barb Buikema
Grand Rapids, Michigan

This piece of garden art appeared in images submitted by more than one photographer, but the judges deemed this one as tops in creativity due to the bud placement.

BEST MULTI-BLOOM



Winner Sandra Dunn Danville, Michigan

The rhythm and whimsy of the blooms leads the eye on a dance through the image. The color harmony of the *H.* 'Heavenly Pink Twister' (Gossard-J., 2007) blooms with the muted background is especially pleasing.



Runner-up Christine Haynam Cortland, Ohio

The well-balanced placement of the blooms of *H.* 'Destin Dreamin' (Bell-T., 2008) caught the attention of the judges. The contrast in color and texture between the blooms and foliage is dynamic.



H. 'Rosie Cotton's Ribbons'
(Watson-N.R., 2018)

Donated by Nancy Watson (IN)
BEST MULTI-BLOOM PRIZE

Second Place Prizes

The runners-up in each category received a \$50 gift certificate from Along the Fence Daylilies in Dansville, Michigan.

Thank you to Garden Owners Sandra Dunn and Mary Ann Cleary.

This year we received 185 entries from the following 43 Region 2 members.
Thank you to everyone that participated.
Honorable Mentions will appear in the Spring issue.

Amy McConnell, OH
Arielle Lucius, OH
Armond Aronson, MI
Barb Buikema, MI
Barry Rowe, WI
Beth Veldey, OH
Betsy Brubeck, IN
Bob Buikema, MI
Bobby Craig, IN
Cara Wildermuth, IN
Carol Riehl, IL
Charlie Harper, OH
Christine Haynam, OH
Conrad Wrzesinski, WI
Cynthia Wadsworth, WI
Dan Doersch, WI
Debbie Scheckel, IL
Debby Colvin, OH
Ginny Pearce, MI
Greg Beavers, IN
Greg Schindler, MI
Jeanie Stevens, OH

Jill Ann Ladrack, OH
JoAnne Frederick, OH
John Seely, IL
Karen Ciula, OH
Kelly Williams, OH
Margie Huffman, IL
Mary Ann Cleary, MI
Mary L. Kwas, MI
Nancy Sniff, MI
Pat Sturdevant, WI
Patricia Santelli, OH
Ralph Faught, IL
Rebecca Faught, IL
Rose Phelps, IL
Sandra Shull, IL
Sandra Dunn, MI
Sharon Prochaska, WI
Sheila O'Brien, IL
Shirley Ann Toney, IN
Sylvia Mellinger, OH
Vickie Goedde, IN



H. '1 Get A Round'
(Holmes-S., 2019)

Donated by Sandy Holmes (OH)
BEST CREATIVE PRIZE

ABOUT OUR JUDGES

Antonio Garabis, a Region 2 member, is an award-winning photographer and Accredited Master Flower Show Judge.

Stephanie Hanood has been growing daylilies for years at her horse farm in northeastern Ohio.

Hope Morrow specializes in vegetable gardening, but always includes a gorgeous border of zinnias to set it off.

WELCOME A NEW ADS CLUB IN REGION 2!



Learn how a group of folks in Region 2 is meeting on Facebook and leaving much of the common "society" baggage behind!

'Daylily Social' is a virtual daylily club that came to life on Facebook in early 2019. Simply said, this daylily club only meets on Facebook. Nikki Schmith was concerned about the lack of sponsoring clubs for daylily shows in this general area, and set out to find a solution to bring the show back to the Midwest. Without all the 501c3-bylaws-LLC-incorporation-whos-in-charge-of-the-bank-account drama that will come with setting up a new club, she took to Facebook where near 6,000 daylily fans are active in just a few daylily groups every day.

At one time, Illinois hosted several shows a year, and in recent years has been lucky to have just one. Nikki spoke with other "creatively organized" groups around the country and set Daylily Social in motion. It wasn't long before almost 20 members from 6 states were on board. **Daylily Social holds a club membership to the American Daylily Society, and to join, just search for "Daylily Social" on Facebook and request to join the group!** Membership is curated by fellow daylily lovers who are AHS members and like to discuss and share daylily stuff without the common drama that comes with a typical daylily club. (This also means not everyone will be a good fit for Daylily Social.) There are no membership dues, no meeting space requirements, no snack committee, no overworked members and no treasury. All fun, no "Stuff." From time to time, we gather on the phone via conference call or on a video/webcam meeting where we might enjoy a virtual presentation from a hybridizer or other daylily enthusiast. Aside from presentations, we can use our private Facebook page to do sales/trades/gifts among each other, share tips on photography or hybridizing, shows, shipping, garden tools or tips to keep your body healthy while gardening in the daylilies.

On June 23, 2019 the group hosted its first accredited daylily show, which was the only one in the state of Illinois this year. Judges came from as far as Georgia and South Carolina to help make the day a success. Club members funded the show with their own money or resources and we were blessed with 129 entries from 8 exhibitors at the American Legion in Worden, Illinois. On top of the unexpected abundance of exhibits, there was a wonderful public turn out. Fun was truly had by all (and so was our catered fried chicken lunch!) Here are the results from this inaugural event:

Best In Show: O'BANNON ORCHID - Nikki Schmith - Unusual Form

Sweepstakes: Nikki Schmith (31) (Kathy Pinkas 19, Lori Doolin 17, Rose Phelps 12)

Section 1: BUTTERCREAM - Kathy Pinkas

Section 2: BILL NORRIS - Lori Doolin

Section 3: BROADWAY CHARMER - Nikki Schmith

Section 4: LITTLE ZINGER - Kathy Pinkas

Section 5: SILOAM STINNETT'S DELIGHT - Rose Phelps

Section 6: WILD WOOKIE - Kathy Pinkas

Section 7: O'BANNON ORCHID - Nikki Schmith

Section 10: (seedling) – Nikki Schmith



There were also two entries in the Achievement Medal section and one in the Ophelia Taylor Horticulture Medal section and those results are waiting final authority of the Exhibitions Committee of ADS. If winners are awarded, those medals will be presented during the National Convention in Savannah, Georgia in 2020.

Thank you BUNCHES to Jacob Braun for expertly handling the numbers portion of the show, and for answering every classification question we had. Kathy Pinkas is the best teammate ever - for anything, anytime. Lori Doolin thank you for being our main clerk and sticker sticker! :)

And an extra, EXTRA special thanks to Scott Elliott and David (and Donna & Adele!) Williams for travelling so far to help make this happen. I could not appreciate your willingness to help a sister out more. It sure takes a tribe to make stuff happen.

Daylily Social will host another accredited daylily show on **Sunday, June 28, 2020**. We are also proud to have inspired the Greater St Louis Daylily Society and the Southwestern Illinois Daylily Society to ALSO host their own accredited events in 2020. We hope this inspires the exhibitors in our bi-state region to get back to the fun of exhibitions – both as a participant and an attendee. We hope to do other big things online from the comfort of our PJ's, all while not neglecting our daylily clubs “in real life.” Daylily Social is just another way to connect, with a specific group of people in a new space and we are very excited about the possibilities.

Encourage yourself to think outside the box. Or throw the box out if its too small for your ideas.



(top left) the show set up- including an information table, plant sharing and 62 off-scape blooms. (top right) Rose Phelps helps clean up some of the 129 on-scape entries. (bottom left) Jacob Braun and Kathy Pinkas are superstars and helped with many areas of the show. (bottom right) a special head table banner was made using the ADS logo.





Enduring Love

By Nikki Schmith, Illinois

Are your tastes in daylilies rooted or related to the moment you fell in love with daylilies in general? I definitely think mine are. I gravitate toward full-petaled, polychrome or monochrome daylilies with heavy substance. Those are my first choice if someone would ask what my taste in daylilies is. I think I feel that way because the first hybrid daylilies that turned on the daylily light bulb for me had those characteristics. 25 years into this addiction, those types of daylilies still make my green heart sing.

Apply that theory to books. If you are an avid reader, you have a genre that you really enjoy. Maybe it's a guilty pleasure like romance or adventure, but whatever it is, it is likely so because when you first started to love reading, you read books in that genre whether by convenience, availability

or recommendation of your parents/teachers/mentors. I think the same can be applied to daylilies. Your heart remembers the first time you fell in love and it will seek out that feeling at every opportunity.

My first purchased hybrid daylilies included *Hemerocallis* 'Golden Scroll,' *H.* 'Tani' and *H.* 'By Myself.' I still have the same plants I bought decades ago.

The name 'By Myself' appealed to me and the time in my life when I bought it. I was going through some early-20's angst when daylilies appeared in my life, so the names played a big part into their interpretation in my garden. Not much has changed in my current garden. The names are smoke signals to another time and place, and sometimes my heart aches to return there when I see them in the garden. It's all good stuff - even if the memories aren't always happy ones.

It was also introduced the year I was born, which was a novel connection to me as a novice collector. As I peeled the onion of this hobby more deeply, I learned that 'By Myself' was hybridized by Dr. Virginia Peck, a lady who has an entire chapter dedicated to her in *A Passion for Daylilies*. This book is an absolute must-read for everyone who loves the people who love daylilies. And it is an awesome travesty that it's available used on Amazon for \$0.63 plus shipping. You should go buy 5 copies and gift them to your most rabid daylily friends. Right now. You're welcome.

Reading about her attendance at the now-famous 1961 AHS National Convention where the Chicago powerhouse hybridizers were presenting their first strong findings on conversions. (Bless the hearts of modern braggadocios who think they are the pioneers on conversions. That was over 50 years ago, friends.) Van Sellers, recent Stout Silver Medal Winner, defines Dr. Virginia Peck as "not only the first, but THE major contributor to the tetraploid gene pool and the front-runner in every color". That is so huge. Most people don't know that the tetraploid revolution began in the Chicago-area, let alone one of its early champions was a woman.

She died in 1990, a few years before I would buy my first hybrid daylilies, and 20 years after her introduction of 'By Myself'. They called her a super mom of daylilies; a lady with a doctorate and a tiny, weather-worn face. My favorite quote of hers shared in the book is, "I found out I couldn't do everything". Amen, sister.

The more I learn about the people who came before me in this community, the more I love both the flower and the people. I often think, if I wrote a book like Sydney Eddison's today, what does someone 30 years in the AHS of the future need to know about the people in today's daylily community?

- What did we DO?
- Who did we inspire?
- What are we doing as a human collective that benchmarks OUR time in the daylily world?
- What does the table of contents of THAT book look like?

Region 2 Club Reports

Central Illinois Daylily Society (CIDS)

Article and photos by Carol Riehl

Too much rain this spring and not enough sun set our blooms back 2-3 weeks and the colors were different! Their seasons were also affected, some midseason blooming earlier, some later than usual.

At our March meeting, our club started planning for our 2021 Summer Regional in Springfield, IL. We formed committees and started thinking of a theme. Lots of ideas were shared, but we haven't voted for the best yet!

Since we are an older club (35 years) we have been losing our older members and sometimes not so old, through illness and time. We were getting dangerously close to the 50% mark with our ADS memberships. Since we would like to have Accredited Daylily Shows, we have been recruiting new members with the help of Washington Park. Several members of the Peoria club have also joined our club. We have picked up about 7 members since last year. This brings our club membership to 62 with ADS membership of 38!

Four times a year at our CIDS meetings, we have a \$100 plant drawing. Established members of our club (must attend 3 meetings) are eligible to win the raffle. They get to pick a hybridizer and order a recently introduced plant. The member pays for the postage, but gets reimbursed \$100 for the plant. They can choose a more expensive plant if they are willing to pay the difference. After a year or so, they are expected to return a scape from that plant to the club auction so the plant is shared with someone else. That way we bring new plants into the mix.

It occurred to me, why not have the club pay for a 3 year membership to ADS instead of the plant? Any member who is not currently in ADS would win the membership instead of the plant. This would automatically increase our ADS membership count. Two people have already gotten new memberships and were thrilled! With the ADS memberships at a safe level, we can have our accredited shows whenever we want.

This year our bus trip went to 5 Acre Daylily Farm in Arcola, IL. 5 Acre grows lots of older daylilies and the rain this year made their garden spectacular! There was lots blooming and Rod & Jim were very helpful. They have many garden beds, some on berms so we got our exercise walking around on soft grass. We even peeked at their seedling beds. Many came away with ideas for our own yards.



We also went to see Gayle Story in Danville, IL. She explained that because of the floods this year, there was less bloom. However, her "church ladies" serving refreshments made up for that and her hosta beds were great. Gayle is such a warm

From the Story Garden:

- *Hosta* 'Pocketful of Sunshine'
- CIDS member Gerry Delano (right) and friend

person and it is reflected in her friends and garden!

After lunch in Danville we went to Prairie Gardens, a garden center, and found other "necessary stuff" for our own gardens. It was a hot but great day!

At CIDS we have been alternating accredited show years and bus trip years in our planning. This gives more variety to our activity schedule and spreads out the cost of both. The bus trip is more relaxing "play" with the shows being more "work". Since there are only so many "bloom" weekends in a year and we

must take into account when the regionals and nationals are, this works out!

Happy Gardening to All!



From the 2019 Bloom Only Flower Show:

- Dave Miller and Sandy Gabriel
- Flower Show Table
- Rich Ford with bloom



MARK your calendars NOW to attend our CIDS Summer Regional on July 9-10, 2021. It will be GREAT!!

Memorial Donations

The following memorial donation was received since the last issue.

In Memory of Dr Ralph Haehn
Northeast Ohio Daylily Society \$ 250

Donations made payable to AHS Region 2 help defray the costs of regional activities and the regional newsletter. Thank you.

In Memoriam

Patricia Kuenzli
Central Michigan Daylily Society

Becky McMurry
Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society



Chicagoland Daylily Society (CDS)

By Ruth Morrison

Our “You Be the Judge” was the theme behind our Daylily Flower Show at the Morton Arboretum, July 20th in the Sycamore Room. Daylilies were entered On Scape and Off Scape in all the usual categories. After the early morning set up as visitors began arriving, they were asked to vote for their favorite Daylily in each category. Votes were put into a small bag by each group. Members also voted during the day. There were eight on scape groups and eight off scape groups to include all the different judging categories. Some of the winners are pictured here.

Chicagoland Daylily Show Winners

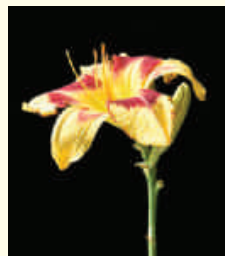
By Mary Ann Daugherty

- Extra Large Flower ON-Scape: ‘Red Eyed Monster’ by Carol Hunter
- Extra Large Flower OFF-scape ‘Perry and His Harem’ by Judi Doychak
- Large Flower ON-Scape: ‘First Twilight’ by Ruth Morrison
- Large Flower OFF-Scape: ‘Bass Gibson’ by Joy Detmer
- Small Flower ON-Scape: ‘Little Rosy Cloud’ by Carol Hunter
- Small Flower OFF-Scape: ‘Kansas Kitten’ by Lynn Whalen
- Miniature Flower ON-Scape: ‘Golden Chimes’ by Sam Drosopoulos
- Miniature Flower OFF-Scape: ‘Siloam Red Toy’ by Judi Doychak
- Double/Poly/Multiform ON-Scape: ‘Night Embers’ by Carole Hunter
- Double/Poly/Multiform OFF-Scape: ‘Signature Truffle’ by Joy Detmer
- Spider ON-Scape Exhibit: ‘Laughing Skies’ by Carole Hunter
- Spider OFF-Scape: ‘Parlor Game’ by Sam Drosopoulos
- Unusual Form ON-Scape: ‘Tiki Flame’ by Carol Hunter
- Unusual Form OFF-Scape: Primal Scream’ by Joy Detmer
- Seedling ON-Scape: ‘16DHD03xBnl1/3’ by Carol Hunter
- Seedling OFF-Scape: ‘144-17’ by Sam Drosopoulos

This year Chris Geetersloh was set up near the entrance demonstrating how to plant a daylily. Children and adults were all interested to see the plant placed on a mound of soil with the roots spread out around it before being covered with soil.



Adrian Ayres Fisher will present “Native Plants, Living Soil and the Joy of Complexity in the Garden” for our 2:00pm September 8th meeting.



Clockwise from top left:
 • ‘Red Eyed Monster’
 • ‘Night Embers’
 • ‘Laughing Skies’
 • ‘Tiki Flame’

Southwestern Illinois Hemerocallis Society (SWIHS)

Article and photos by Rosie Phelps

2019 What an enjoyable club! We all pull together to make things happen. Our main fundraiser is our yearly bi-annual sale at Anderson Mansion in Carlinville, IL. Members dug, helped trim, set-up, and assisted in the sale. New sales picture boards were made.



Other activities included visits to two daylily farms and the group enjoyed a meal out upon returning home. A club picnic was attended by many. (Fried chicken served up with all the trimmings) We are planning an "AWARDS PROGRAM" for the Christmas gathering where we will honor all those who have gone above and beyond helping the club in 2019.



Members seated are Eunice Weber and George Kahl.

Hoosier Daylily Society (HooDS)

By Nancy Watson

Hoosier Daylily Society finished up its roster of speakers by hosting Bruce Kovach of Centerpiece Gardens in Suwanee, Georgia, as our speaker for April. Bruce shared with us the extensive process of creating his garden from scratch and his hybridizing work. One of his



Bruce Kovach

areas of interest is hybridizing double daylilies. Bruce has also taken over Lee Pickles' program, with an emphasis on reds. He brought with him several of his introductions as well as Lee's, such as H. 'Lee's Purple Dreams', 'Lee's Blue Lagoon', and 'Joan Trundle' to auction off at the meeting.



President Chris Wilhoite distributes plants with Jayne Lough

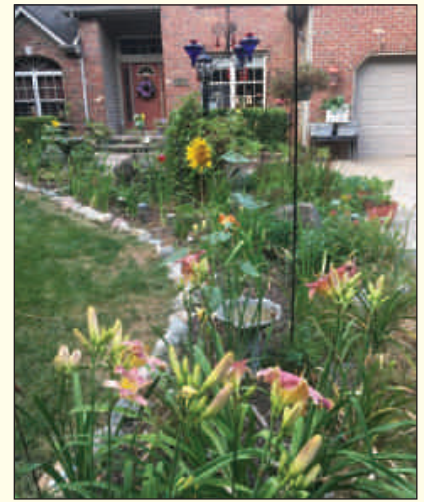
Our May meeting was held at the home of Greg McMullen and Brad Jacobs. We had a fun time as we picked by lottery the club plants we would host for three years. An exciting selection of daylilies, including diploids and tetraploids, was obtained from Josh Jaques, Sandy Nall, Bruce Kovach, and Jamie Gossard. After a spirited selection process, everyone went home with several new plants, such as 'Carnosaur', 'Sweet Lady Elizabeth', 'Millicent Bystander', and 'Victorious Morning'. Whether you prefer toothy daylilies or patterns or something else, there were plants for every taste. We also distributed the plants from the member-to-member auction from January and bid on the club plants returned from three years prior. The May meeting is always a highlight of the year!



Left and above:

- Linda and Gregg Sutter, Johnn and Taylor Marlatt with Bret Clement
- Greg McMullen with Bill Stephens in back

Our season wrapped up with a picnic at the home of Amberly Campbell Wilson. We all had a great time with good food and good company in a serene and peaceful setting. Amberly has created an oasis of beauty in her garden with winding paths and a lovely vista at each turn. What a delight it was to see all the plants she has included in her garden as well as a selection of garden art.



Amberly Campbell Wilson Garden

Our new season starts up again in October. Bret Clement of Clement Daylily Gardens will be our featured speaker for the month, followed by Curt Hanson of Crintonic Gardens in November. Check our Facebook page (Hoosier Daylily Society) for meeting details.



Picnic fun with:

- Jayne Lough, Chuck Conover and Bill Stephens
- Greg Lough and Chuck Conover

All images by Bob Watson.



Indiana Daylily-Iris Society (IDIS)

By Lezlie Myers

The Indiana Daylily Iris Society enjoyed a wonderful presentation in April from Steve Williams of O'Bannon Springs Daylilies in Lancaster, Ohio. Steve's interest in daylilies began in 1991 when a friend and neighbor gave him 16 daylilies. In 2004, he purchased a 5 acre wooded farm. After clearing out some trees, he began hybridizing. He now has 3,000 registered daylilies and over 10,000 seedlings. Last year, friends of his from Ohio entered one daylily in our show and it won Queen of Show. Steve was kind enough to bring a number of his plants and auctioned them off, with proceeds to IDIS.

May was a very busy month for IDIS members as we pre-sold donated daylilies from Jim and Emily Poor.

We also had our annual NCAP plant distribution. This is a program where members can receive a new cultivar from the club to grow for three years and then return the growth for a plant auction. It's a great way to get a new daylily. Plus, it's always fun to see who returns the most plants in three years. As we have members that live in the city and the country, it's interesting to see how the different locations produce.

The last of June we had our annual Daylily Show. Even after a very wet spring and a delayed daylily bloom season, we had a great show at Sullivan's Garden Center. We had 9 different exhibitors showing 147 daylilies and 6 arrangements. The Best of Show award went to Jackie Schroeder with H. 'Morning Face', a beautiful UFO introduced by Dan Bachman. Our sweepstakes winner was Rod Maust. The popular vote for best arrangement went to Dan Howell. Plus, we welcomed a few new members. We were able to share the wonderful world of daylilies with the public. This was also a great time to tell them about our upcoming sale in August.

In early July, IDIS members Greg Beavers, Bret Clement, Rod Maust and Laurel Richardson were able to attend the AHS National Convention. They had a great time. It was nice to have a National Convention so close to home. Thank you, Wisconsin Clubs!



Top and bottom:

- Frank Nykios in his garden
- Greg Beavers in his garden



Clockwise from top left:

- Judging time!
- Best in Show 'Morning Face'
- IDIS Show Workers



Central Michigan Daylily Society (CMDS)

By Teresa Dillon

We in mid-Michigan have had a challenge with gardening this year. Our winter was horribly cold, our spring was long and dreary with more than enough rain. Summer seemed to take forever to arrive and when it did, our temperatures when from 60 to 85+ degrees and the rain disappeared. Then, our horribly saturated soil became like baked bricks ready to use for building. We all persevered; it seems gardeners thrive on challenges.

In January, Joel Clifton from Morgan Composting educated CMDS members on ways to make our soil healthy and our plants happy.



For our February meeting, we had a panel discussion comprised of four CMDS members who are all seasoned

hybridizers (*left to right*): Tom Lucius, Jim Vrable, Janis Pardeik and Karen Erickson. The panelists did a great job of explaining their methods. Then we had a question session and members bombarded the panel with lots of inquiries. It went so well that members suggested we have another meeting just like it.

In March we had biology instructor Ryan Dzedzic as our speaker, his topic was "Making Your Yard Bird Friendly Year-Round". We learned what to add to our gardens to bring in our feathered friends.

Our April meeting was a presentation on "Ferns, Fiddleheads and Fronds" by Jeanne Henderson, an Interpretive Naturalist, at Chippewa Nature Center.



CMDS President Jerry Brown hauling mulch at the Zoo. We are very fortunate to have Jerry as our president. He leads by example and reminds us our club is great because of generous members and wonderful workers.

Voss in Okemos, MI. We enjoyed a tour of the gardens: though daylilies were not yet blooming, there was lots of other plants to view. Then we had our potluck and ate special barbeque that a friend of the Voss' prepared for our social there. We exchanged our Grow and Divide plants and held a short meeting with lots of brainstorming about our upcoming daylily sale.

In May our members met at Saginaw Children's Zoo where we host 2 daylily beds. We met to fertilize and clean-up the beds and put down fresh mulch. From the zoo we went to the gardens of Phil and Ginger Lisik in Hemlock MI. The Lisik's gardens are always such a great experience and shopping in the greenhouses is fantastic. We had our annual spring plant auction this day also.

In June we met at the home of Tammy and Ron

On July 14th, we met at the home and gardens of Cory and Danielle Cottons in Farwell, MI. Danielle is a schoolteacher. She invented a scavenger hunt that had members wandering her gardens and looking for plants and garden items. We had a delicious potluck meal and Corey cooked burgers and brats on the grill for everyone.

July 20th was our Daylily Sale at Karen and Larry Erickson's residence in Clio, MI. This was our first time hosting a sale when daylilies were in bloom. Our sales in the past have always been bareroot only plants and was held in September. We had record high temperature on the day of our sale, but it did not seem to bother our shoppers. We had a productive sale and many customers were thrilled to see the thousands of daylilies growing in the Erickson's beautiful gardens. Blooms sold plants instead of pictures.

In August our members enjoyed touring the large property and viewing the huge veggie garden of Paul Pratt in Byron, MI. He lives on a private lake with lots of tall fencing to keep out the deer. Paul has made copious changes to the property since his recent move from Wisconsin.

In September our special speaker will be our AHS Region 2 President Sandy Holmes. We are excited to host Sandy and see her presentation and of course we are anxious for the auction.

In October, Sandra Dunn from Along the Fence Daylilies in Dansville, MI will be our speaker and she is sharing "The History and Enduring Appeal of Al Goldner's Daylilies".

November will be special with our own CMDS member John Kulpa as our speaker. John is a CMDS lifetime member and recent recipient of the Howard Hite award.

December is our annual fun day Christmas Party at Cheers in Mt. Pleasant.



- The CMDS Zoo daylily beds in May 2019, newly fertilized and mulched and ready for summer.
- The same Zoo daylily bed in July 2019 blooming beautifully.





Grand Valley Daylily Society (GVDS)

Article and photos by Claire Sheridan

The Grand Valley Daylily Society held its June meeting at the home of Ben and Sharon Vanderwilp and learned about gardening for pollinators using native plants. The speaker was Rebecca Marquardt, PLA, SITES AP, owner of Revery. She was knowledgeable and enthusiastic, encouraging everyone present to

think about how they could add plants such as butterfly weed, swamp milkweed and native asters to their gardens. She also gave a walking tour of a nearby bioswale that had a variety of native plants and trees.



The July and August meetings were combined in a bus tour to Along The Fence Daylilies, outside of Dansville, where the club was welcomed by Sandra Dunn. The participants had



a wonderful time exploring the over 1,600 cultivars available for sale as well as the additional 800 cultivars on display and the Michigan hybridizer bed. Most people left with daylilies to plant in their own gardens and a bus gift plant from club member Lori Hankinson. Sandra and her family served a delicious lunch under the trees while plant orders were being dug.

After lunch the group took the bus to Nancy Cooper's garden, about a 20 minute drive. Nancy's garden was a delight for everyone.



We were treated to cold drinks and desserts, provided

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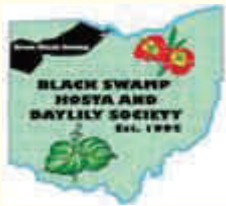
- Garden beds at Along the Fence Daylilies
- Sandra Dunn welcomes the group.
- Lunch time!
- Above: Nancy Cooper's garden.

by Along The Fence Daylilies, on the deck overlooking Nancy's spectacular lakeside garden. Nancy's garden has over 800 varieties of daylilies, 300 different hostas and 80 ornamental grasses and a great variety of other perennials. Her Giant Benary zinnias were a rainbow of color throughout the garden. The group left feeling refreshed and inspired by Nancy's beautiful garden.

The annual fall auction in September 5 featured many plants donated by Geraldine Couturier, a founder of the club, as well as plants donated by other members.

In October, Sandra Dunn, of Along The Fence Daylilies, will do a presentation on late blooming daylilies for those who want to extend the daylily season through August and into September. At the November meeting Ginny Pearce, of Garden Path Perennials, will present information on her hybridizing program.

Then in December, the club will hold its annual Christmas party.



Black Swamp Hosta and Daylily Society

By Charlene Patz

What an interesting and fun-filled spring and summer our society has had this year! Our annual perennial plant sale in May was a huge success. This is our only fundraising

event to continue our support of the national daylily and hosta display gardens at Toledo Botanical Garden Metropark (TBG), national daylily and hosta display gardens at Simpson Garden Park in Bowling Green, our national hosta display garden at 577 in Perrysburg, and our library project where we donate new publications on hostas and daylilies to 17 area libraries.

Even a 20 minute rain shower didn't dampen the spirits of our gardening "tribe of followers" or our members who were working at the sale!

What a great display of hosta leaves at our 14th biennial "Rivers of Leaves" show held at TBG on June 23rd. Phil Parsons won Best of Show for his entry of *Hosta* 'Munchkin Fire', and first timer exhibitor Helen Hundsrucker won Best Seedling/Sport with her seedling of *H.* 'Fruit of the Loam'. Charlie Harper won the Sweepstakes Award for having the most blue ribbons - 18 out of 20 entries.



'Munchkin Fire'

Special thanks to Sarah DaPra, show chairman, from Jackson, MI, who also served as one of our judges, and to Grey Gitzen from Saginaw, MI who served as a judge. Twelve members participated in the show with 150 entries. In addition to the exhibitors, thanks go out to Marian Parsons who manned the classification table with Linda Scheurman's assistance. Placement was handled by Jim Flannery and Arnie Vasquez; Betty Moore was Head Clerk and Charlene Patz led Tabulation. Dan Parratt made beautiful floral displays from the leaves the exhibitors brought that were not entered in the show to highlight the variety of hostas that are available, and he placed signage about the show in and around the gardens urging visitors to come see our hosta show and to visit the American Hosta Society National Display Garden. Thanks to Marian and Phil for staging the show! A special thank you to Linda and Rich Nagy who put together our potluck luncheon. Rich also served as our welcoming ambassador during the afternoon festivities. A BIG Thank You to everyone who made the show such a success, and to everyone who came to visit the show!!



Congratulations are in order for Charlie Harper, our wonderful Vice-President since 2015! At the 2019 AHS Convention, Charlie received two awards! He was awarded the 2019 Region 2 Service Award - and a 2019 Regional Newsletter Article Award. Charlie mentioned he was wearing one of his BSHDS logo shirts in the photo of him receiving his Service Award medallion which will appear in the upcoming AHS Journal. Check out

the article and photo Eileen Hoffman, our webmaster, posted of Charlie with his Regional Service Award medallion and Regional Newsletter Certificate on Black Swamp's website. What is the Regional Service Award? In 1974, the AHS Board established the Regional Service Award for outstanding service to AHS at the regional level. Only one AHS Regional Service Award may be awarded per region per year. AHS members are only be eligible to win a Regional Service Award once. The AHS Board votes by secret ballot at the annual fall board meeting, and the award is presented at the following AHS National Convention. Charlie won the 2019 Regional Newsletter Award from the AHS for his article, "A Feast for the Eyes, The Harper AHS Garden". The article appeared in the fall 2018 edition of the "Great Lakes Daylily", Region 2's newsletter and was included in our November 2018 EFLASH. Charlie is also well-known for his award winning photographs on the Regional and National levels.

On August 17th we held our annual daylily work day at Toledo Botanical Garden prior to having our daylily auction. Members dug and divided huge clumps of daylilies, cleaned up the beds for fall by cutting back foliage, straightened signs in the Daylily Walk and the historic and species daylily sections. TBG's daylily collection is exceptional since it's been an AHS National Display Garden since 2001 and their historical garden has been one since 2007. After lunch our public auction of daylilies grown by our members from our daylily host program the past two years were the featured items for sale, and our generous members donated many more wonderful daylilies for the auction. Kevin Kwiatkowski, Ann and Don Bixler, Marian and Phil Parsons, Pam Murphy, Sharon Supinski and Judy Hersch organized the auction again this year and did a fabulous job!

Following the auction, daylilies were distributed to our members to continue the Daylily Host Program for another two years.

In September we brought back our informative Roundtable with John Krukemyer, Agronomist at Mid-Wood Pro, Bowling Green, OH, as our moderator. John has been with Mid-Wood for 43 years - the last 38 years as the store manager. He attends numerous seminars, trainings and other meetings on lawn and garden care and is currently teaching Lawn Care & Maintenance for the Wood County Master Gardeners. A lot of interesting questions were posed with John and our members offering answers to some tough questions! This is a great meeting to share ideas and get to know some of our members a little better.

Our guest speaker at our October 13th meeting will be TERESA BYINGTON, President of the Indianapolis Rose Society, editor of the American Rose Society's publication "ROSES & YOU" and IL/IN District Director. Teresa's program is titled the "NEW ROSES FOR TODAY'S GARDEN". The Knock Out Rose was released in 2000, changing the world of roses forever. We now have so many options when it comes to sustainable easy care roses. Teresa tests many of the new varieties in her garden and will share her experiences and recommendations.

Rounding out this year's events will be our potluck in November at TBG's Conference Center. Everyone enjoys this special year-end event to socialize and exchange stories of our gardening adventures from the past year.

Our meetings are held in the Conference Center at Toledo Botanical Garden and are open to the public so if you are in the area during any of our events, join us!

Be sure to "friend" us on our FACEBOOK site at: www.facebook.com/blackswamphostaanddaylilysociety/?fref=ts and visit our website: blackswamphostaanddaylilysociety.weebly.com/



Show Day Photos:

- Show tables
- Helen Hundsrucker won Best Seedling/Sport
- Show Chair Sarah DePra awards Phil Parsons Best of Show

Images by Frank Patz.

Metropolitan Columbus Daylily Society (MCDS)

Articles and photos by Debby Colvin

MCDS began the summer by sponsoring an open garden tour of member gardens in the Columbus and surrounding areas in late June. Members opening their gardens included Bob and Susan Cochran, Mark Cunningham, Kirsten Hatfield, Mike and Sandy Holmes, Jeff and Darlene Kerr, Charles and Cynthia Lucius, Lee Miller, Patricia Santelli, Steve and Nancy Williams, and Amy Zahner. Kirsten Hatfield and Amy Zahner are also organizing next year's Region 2 Summer Meeting.



Our club would like to announce the addition of five new exhibition judges from our membership. We are proud to have facilitated the classes to help

these individuals attain their status of exhibition judge. They are (left to right): Bob and Sharon Johnson, Melinda Hoffman, Arielle Lucius, and Oksana Tadich. Two of the five (Sharon Johnson and Arielle Lucius) have already served as junior judges in Mansfield and Cleveland with their new credentials!

In July our club presented an accredited daylily show at the Franklin Park Conservatory. We want to thank Karen Ciula, who stepped down as show chair after many years of faithful service. New Show Chair Gail Johannes did a great job following in Karen's footsteps. The show, co-sponsored by the Serendipity Garden club, included on and off-scape daylilies, as well as floral designs evaluated by National Garden Club Accredited Flower Show Judges.

In August, we held our yearly public bare-root daylily sale, which is a major fundraiser for our club. Members are asked to contribute



to this sale. In addition, many of the cultivars come from the daylily beds that we maintain at Franklin Park Conservatory. This sale also gives the club an opportunity to increase awareness of the daylily; and increase the club membership, as customers joining during the sale receive a free daylily.

Congratulations are due to our members who received Awards at the 2019 National Convention: Award of Merit to Bob Faulkner for *Hemerocallis* 'Almira Buffalo Bone Jackson' and to Sandy Holmes for *H.* 'I Lava You'.

Honorable Mention Awards went to : Jamie Gossard for 'Blazing Lamp Sticks', 'Stop the Car', 'Spacecoast Lemon Whiskers', 'War Horse', 'Static Shock', and 'Vampire Fish'; to Sandy Holmes for 'Flying Purple People Eater', 'Barbara Nickel', and 'Wanda Evans'; to Steve Williams for 'End of The Tunnel' and 'Bernie's Fault'; to Tom Polston for 'Dan Bachman', 'Star of Kryptonite', 'Lemon Drop Lollipops' and 'Van Helsing'; and to Dan Bachman for 'Hell Hath No Fury'.

Specialty Award winners included Bob Faulkner winning the R.W. Munson Award for 'Almira Buffalo Bone Jackson', and Dan Bachman winning the Harris Olson Spider for 'Mascara Snake'.

Upcoming activities include a talk by Charlie Harper on photography at our November meeting; as well as a holiday potluck in December.



Northeast Ohio Daylily Society (NODS)

By Julie Gridley

NODS Another bloom season is behind us and, here in the Cleveland area, it was a pretty spectacular one for daylilies! The plants were plumped up by all the spring rains, and by July we had the kind of hot days and warm nights that daylilies relish. If only it could last another month or so; then we might have enough time to visit all the gardens we want to see! Just one of the laments shared by all daylily lovers, right?

Overcoming their laments, and sacrificing time that could have been spent in their own gardens, dedicated NODS members pulled off not just one, not just two, but THREE plant sales this summer. The first was in early June at a garden center in the eastern suburbs that has welcomed us in the past to sell from their parking lot. The next was in early July at a new venue in the western suburbs - a regional hosta convention, where several vendors were invited to sell plants. Not all the hosta growers had adequate sunlight for daylilies, but several did and were appreciative of finding newer, freshly-dug daylilies at

affordable prices. The third sale took place on July 21st during our scape show at the Cleveland Botanical Garden. It has been a great place to catch people who love plants but may be unfamiliar with modern daylilies. After they've seen the rows of colorful blooming scapes, their interest is piqued and they want to try some in their own garden. Each of our sales did well this year. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked so hard to prepare plants and run the events. You know who you are!

The scape show itself had a dramatic start. An intense thunderstorm developed before sunrise. Some exhibitors who were awakened by the noise raced outside to cut their scapes. One discovered a tree had fallen in the middle of a daylily bed! Hard, drenching rain fell. Some roads were blocked by flash floods. Power was out in places, affecting stoplights on the route. It seemed likely that very few scapes of show quality would have survived. We all held our breath as exhibitors slowly arrived. As they groomed and presented their scapes for placement and the tally was made, it turned out we had almost the exact same number of scapes this year (95) as we had last year! We were amazed. Further proof that daylilies - and those who grow them - are tough!

The storms ended, and about 500 people from all over the area visited the botanical garden that day. They studied the daylilies, expressed amazement at the huge variety of bloom types, took pictures, chatted with club members, and voted for their favorites in the popularity poll. Six judges carefully examined all the entries and made the tough decisions about winners. We are so grateful for the time they spent driving to Cleveland and judging our show!

This year's winners were:

Category	Cultivar	Exhibitor
Extra Large	Twinkie Mazer	Mark Druckenbrod
Large	Piranha Apocalypse	David Winter
Small	Rajah	Sue Gold
Spider	Holly Dancer	David Winter
Unusual Form	Skedaddle	Mark Druckenbrod
Popularity Poll	Heavenly United We Stand	Mark Druckenbrod
Seedling		David Winter

Best in Show went to Mark Druckenbrod with Skedaddle, along with the Sweepstakes Award.

Our Novice Award went to Jan Greco.

And to round out the awards, the general public picked 'Clark Gable', a beautiful double, as the off-scape favorite!

As the club takes a well-deserved breather from the busy summertime, we begin to make plans for staying in touch during the non-gardening months. The highlight of that season is a winter banquet that combines a tasty potluck meal with games and quizzes, a Chinese auction, a short business meeting, and the chance to get better acquainted with new and existing members.

If you live in the Cleveland area and want to learn more about the banquet and other activities, find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/neodaylilysociety/>



Left: Club sale on west side of Cleveland (Bay Village).

Top: Scape show rosette winners and exhibitors.

Images by Colleen Kochevar.

Right: Scape show exhibition space at Cleveland Botanical Gardens.

Image by Julie Gridley.

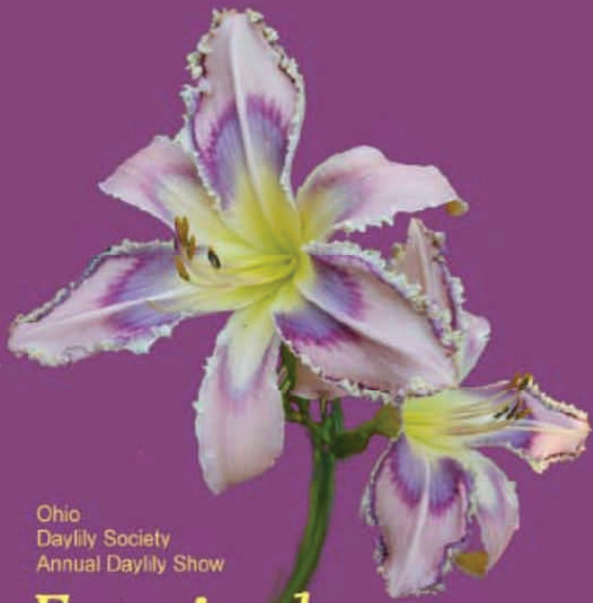
Be sure to thank your club reporters and photographers for sharing your club's news at the regional level.

Club Reports for the Spring Issue are due by 3/15/20.

Club Feature

Ohio Daylily Society

2019 Annual Show



Ohio
Daylily Society
Annual Daylily Show

Entwined in the Vine

H. Entwined in the Vine
(Zimmisch, 2007)

Noon - 4:30 pm
Sunday, July 14, 2019
Kingwood Center
50 N. Trimble Rd.
Mansfield, Ohio

Accredited by the American Hemerocallis Society

Submitted by JoAnne Frederick

This year's Ohio Daylily Society Daylily Show was held on July 14th in the Carriage House at Kingwood Center in Mansfield, Ohio. 133 people attended the show with one visitor making the decision to join ODS that day.

A successful Accredited Daylily Show takes team work and the Show Committee listed below delivered. ODS member Karen Brenner used her artistic talents to create the show cover seen at right using the recent Stout Medal Winner as inspiration. Karen Ciula created the schedule contents.

In total, there were 138 scapes and 101 off-scape entries on display.

SHOW COMMITTEE

Show Chair: Lori Richards

Co-Chair: Dave Winter

Awards: Lori Richards

Classification: Judy Vorthman and Dale Sidle

Clerks: Marguerite Halliwell, Sara Martin, Christy Riedel and Tim Richards

Education: Wendy Schwall

Judges: Doug Cellar

Judges' Breakfast: Pat Shea and Marguerite Halliwell

Judges/Workers Lunch: Bob Buxton

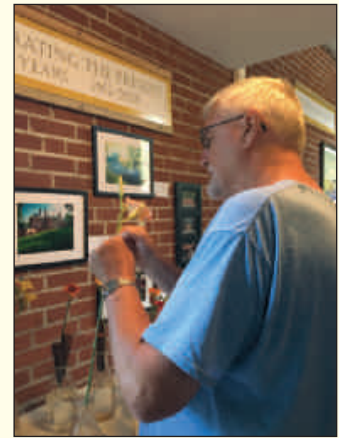
Placement: Ken and Cynthia Blanchard

Properties: Pat Edwards and Kingwood Center staff

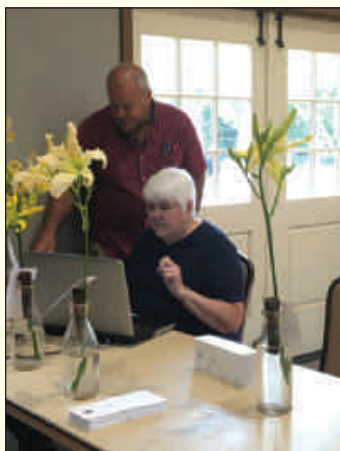
Show Schedule: Karen Ciula

Show Schedule Cover: Karen Brenner

Tabulation: Dave Winter



Ken Blanchard and Edgar Mongold prep their entries.



Classification Chairs Judy Vorthman and Dale Sidle



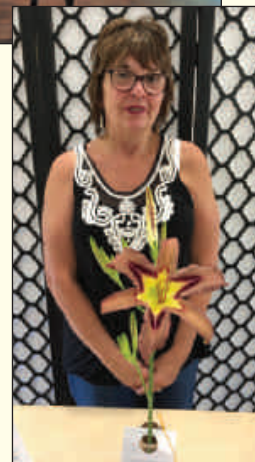
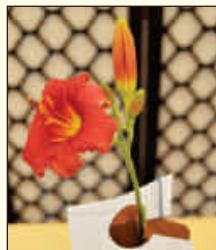
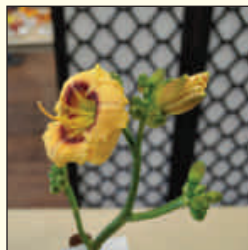
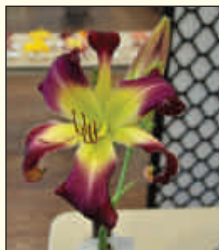
Educational Exhibits



Cynthia and Ken Blanchard managed placement for the show.

ON-SCAPE WINNERS

Extra Large: 'Regal Attitude' entered by Ken Blanchard
 Large: 'Havanna Day Dreaming' entered by Dave Winter
 Small: 'Baby Moon Café' entered by Wendy Schwall
 Miniature: 'Siloam Red Toy' entered by Edgar Mongold
 Double, Multiform, and Polymerous: 'Buckeye Barnstormer' entered by Dave Winter
 Spider: 'Grey Witch' entered by Sharon Brewer
 Unusual Form: 'I See Stars' entered by Dave Winter
 Popularity Poll: 'Heavenly Angel Ice' entered by Ken Blanchard
 Seedling: 16-14-04, entered by Dave Winter
 Sweepstakes Winner: Dave Winter
 Best-in-Show: 'Grey Witch' entered by Sharon Brewer



Left to right: 'Regal Attitude', 'Havanna Day Dreaming', 'Baby Moon Café', 'Siloam Red Toy', 'Buckeye Barnstormer' Sharon Brewer pictured with her Best-in-Show Winner: 'Grey Witch'.



Judging in progress..



Bob Buxton and Dave Winter look over the off-scape entries.

OFF-SCAPE WINNERS

Off-scape entries were judged by public vote.

Registered: 39 Entries

1st: 'Ransom Paid' entered by David and Sara Martin, 7 votes

2nd (tied with 6 votes each):

- 'Daniel Boone' entered by Noah Martin
- 'Sweet Dixie' entered by Lori Richards
- 'Midnight Magic' entered by Janet Constance

Seedlings: 62 Entries

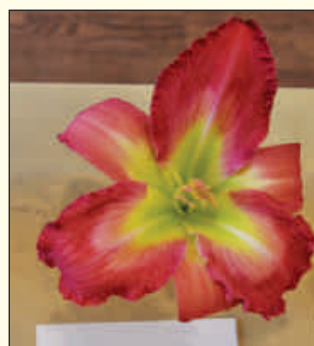
1st: "#10" Dave Winter, 10 votes

2nd: "#33" Christy Riedel, 5 votes

3rd: "#02" Dave Winter, 4 votes



Clockwise from top right, the top three seedling winners in order of finish.





Derryl Keating provided a tour of his garden and seedling beds to several members while judging was underway.



Kingwood Center is a gorgeous property loaded with delightful gardens. Pictured above are some of the daylily beds and at right, the duck pond. Put it on your 'must visit' list if you are ever in the area.



Other Ohio Daylily Society News

By JoAnne Frederick

The May meeting saw approximately 62 members in attendance. Plants generously donated by members were auctioned, both newer introductions as well as time-tested favorites. Pat Edwards took the time to include these in a slide show presentation so we all could see what we were bidding on. Guest plants from hybridizer Curt Hanson were distributed, with the note that the remainder of the plants for this year, from Gayle Story, would be distributed at the August meeting due to the extreme rainfall this spring. It is expected that there will be enough this year for most members to receive a total of two guest plants.

A hand poll was taken of ODS members also belonging to the ADS, and we were reminded that national membership supports many great resources. Everyone was also encouraged to take in the 4th annual Flag City Daylily Tour on July 12-14. They have been named as an ADS Daylily Ambassador, and several of the gardens included belong to members of the ODS. What a great way to spend a day!

Our plant sale is held in August and we will have a guest speaker at our October meeting.

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2020 ADS NATIONAL CONVENTION

Where: Savannah, Georgia

Host: Ogeechee Daylily Society

When: May 25-27, 2020



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